CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (canceled)

2. (currently amended) A composite material according to claim 10 wherein each multiphase layer contains an additional proportion of [[Go]] MgO or each single phase layer contains up to 1% of an additional titanium oxide.

3. (canceled)

4. (previously presented) The composite material according to claim 10 wherein the base body is composed of a hard metal, steel, cermet or ceramic.

5. (previously presented) The composite material according to claim 10 wherein between the substrate body and the first multiphase oxide layer, at least one layer of TiCN, HfCN or ZrCN is provided which has a thickness of 1 to 15 μm.

6. (previously presented) The composite material according to claim 10 wherein between each multiphase oxide layer and the respective single-phase oxide layer, one or more intermediate layers are provided of TiCN, HfCN, or ZrCN, each of which has a thickness between 0.2 μm to 3 μm.

7. (previously presented) The composite material according to claim 10 wherein the total thickness of all of the multiphase oxide layers and all single phase oxide layers is 6 to 20 μm, the thickness of an individual multiphase oxide layer being 2 to 6 μm, or the thickness of the individual single phase oxide layer being 1 to 5 μm.

8. (previously presented) The composite material according to claim 10 wherein the multilayer coating is produced by means of CVD.

9. (previously presented) The composite material according to claim 10 wherein the composite material is subjected to a final dry blast treatment using a granular blast agent composed of a high metal granulate and which at least in major part has a rounded grain configuration with a maximum diameter of 150 μm.

10. (previously presented) A composite material comprised of:

a base substrate body;

a first coating on the base body of a multiphase layer of titanium oxide and at least two oxides from the group of aluminum, zirconium, and hafnium oxide and a second single-phase layer on the first layer consisting of only one oxide of aluminum, zirconium, and hafnium; and

a second coating on the first coating of a multiphase layer of titanium oxide and at least two oxides from the group of aluminum, zirconium, and hafnium oxide and a second single-phase layer on the respective first layer consisting of only one oxide of aluminum, zirconium, and hafnium.

11. (previously presented) The composite material defined in claim 10, further comprising:

a third coating on the second coating of a multiphase layer of titanium oxide and at least two oxides from the group of aluminum, zirconium, and hafnium oxide and a second single-phase layer on the respective first layer consisting of only one oxide of aluminum, zirconium, and hafnium.